

September 15, 2010

ITEM NO. B8

AUTHORIZATION FOR CHA TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COOK COUNTY

To the Honorable Board of Commissioners:

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Commissioners (“Board”) authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to allow the Chicago Housing Authority (“CHA”) to enter into a Memorandum Of Agreement (“MOA”) with The Housing Authority of Cook County (“HACC”), to administer Housing Choice Voucher’s where an employee (or family member of an employee) of the Housing Authority may have a financial interest in the Housing Choice Voucher (“HCV”).

FUNDING

No funding applicable

Vendor: Housing Authority of Cook County
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EXPLANATION

The CHA and HACC both administer Section 8/HCV programs in Chicago and Cook County respectively. From time to time, each housing authority may have a potential conflict of interest situation when an employee or their immediate family members have a financial interest in the HCV as an owner who has entered into a Housing Assistance Payment (“HAP”) contract or as a participant whose HCV is administered by their employer.

In an effort to circumvent any known or potential conflict of interests, the MOA will allow each housing authority to administer the other housing authority’s vouchers in limited conflict of interest situations.

Based on the foregoing, to avoid conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest, it is in the best interest of the CHA to authorize the Chief Executive Officer or his designee to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the Housing Authority of Cook County.

RESOLUTION NO. 2010-CHA-112

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Chicago Housing Authority has reviewed the Board Letter dated September 15, 2010, entitled, "AUTHORIZATION FOR THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COOK COUNTY";

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY

THAT, The Board of Commissioners authorizes the Chief Executive Officer, or his designee, to execute a Memorandum of Agreement with the Housing Authority of Cook County ("HACC") to administer Housing Choice Vouchers ("HCV") for each other where an employee (or family member of an employee) of the Chicago Housing Authority or HACC, as the case may be, has or may have a financial interest in the HCV to avoid a conflict of interest or the appearance of a conflict of interest.

